



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Atwood, Lindsay T.	Group No.: 3622
Serial No.: 09/933,587	Atty. Docket No.: 78378-018
Filed: 08/20/2001	
For: Method and Apparatus for Facilitating the Provision of Services	Examiner: Lastra, Daniel

MAIL STOP Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

HONORABLE SIR:

Responsive to the official communication of November 16, 2005, Applicant submits the following response.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this Amendment. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account 08-3460.

**RESTRICTION**

The Examiner has concluded that the application has two (2) distinct inventions. The Examiner has identified Invention I as "establishing discounted programs for members of an organization" represented by Claims 1-44. The Examiner has identified Invention II as "processing information over a network" represented by Claims 45-49. In accordance with 35 U.S.C. §121, the Examiner has required Applicant to select one invention subject to the

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restriction requirement. Applicant hereby selects Examiner designated Invention I (Claims 1-44).  
Applicant further submits herewith new claims 50-56 directed to Invention I.